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**VIA ECF**

Honorable Rachel P. Kovner  
United States District Judge  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
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**Re: United States v. Angel Almeida**  
Docket 21 Cr 613

Dear Judge Kovner,

Please be advised that I am writing to inform the Court of the status of my representation of Angel Almeida. Approximately five weeks ago while on a visit at the MDC, Mr. Almeida requested that I not visit him unless I had important information to share with him. Subsequently, I reached out to Mr. Almeida's brother in an effort to establish a relationship with Mr. Almeida's family. We had a productive conversation. On May 11, I had a prearranged legal call with Mr. Almeida. Mr. Almeida terminated the call in less than two minutes. I reached out to his brother by phone and text on four occasions and have not heard back. I went to the MDC today with two non-legal professionals to visit Mr. Almeida. Unfortunately, Mr. Almeida refused to come down for the visit.

At this point all communications with Mr. Almeida have broken down. I cannot effectively represent Mr. Almeida if he refuses to engage. I hereby ask the Court to conduct an inquiry of Mr. Almeida to determine how to proceed.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/Samuel Gregory//  
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